

House Bill 680

By: Representatives Mangham of the 94<sup>th</sup> and Williams of the 89<sup>th</sup>

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend Part 3 of Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia  
2 Annotated, relating to educational programs, so as to provide that the Department of  
3 Education shall develop a model program for providing instruction and training in the  
4 performing arts; to provide that local boards of education shall incorporate a program in the  
5 performing arts in the curriculum; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 Part 3 of Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,  
9 relating to educational programs, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as  
10 follows:

11 "20-2-159.1.

12 Not later than December 31, 2009, the Department of Education shall develop a model  
13 program for providing instruction and training in the performing arts including, without  
14 limitation, music, dance, and drama. Beginning with the 2010-2011 school year, each local  
15 board of education shall incorporate a program in the performing arts in the curriculum as  
16 determined by each local board of education."

17 **SECTION 2.**

18 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.